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SUBJ: ENTRY REQUIREMENTS FOR TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

REF: CSAF TELEGRAM 1587 DATED 3/13/75

1. EMBASSY REPORTED TO DEPARTMENT OF STATE IN TELEGRAM 1684 DECEMBER 28, 1973, RECEIPT OF GOTT NOTE STATING THAT THE WAIVER OF PASSPORTS FORMERLY ENJOYED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENS AND ALIEN RESIDENTS HAD BEEN WITHDRAWN, AND THAT EFFECTIVE JANUARY 6, 1974, SUCH PERSONS ARRIVING IN TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO MUST BE IN POSSESSION OF VALID PASSPORTS.

2. OUR TELEGRAM 846 OF APRIL 11, 1974, REPORTED THAT THAT REQUIREMENT BEING ENFORCED ONLY AS OF APRIL 16, 1974.

3. ONLY EXCEPTION TO PASSPORT REQUIREMENT RELATES TO MEMBERS OF US FORCES. EMBASSY EXPLORING THAT POINT WITH GOTT AUTHORITIES, AND IT APPEARS THAT THAT EXCEPTION WOULD APPLY ONLY IF SUCH MEMBERS BEING BROUGHT TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO ON MATTERS PERTAINING TO US-TRINIDAD BASES AGREEMENT. WITH CLOSURE OF US BASE HERE SEVERAL YEARS AGO, SUCH TRAVEL WOULD PRESUMABLY NO LONGER BE REQUIRED. WILL REPORT RESULTS OF DISCUSSIONS IN THIS REGARD, SINCE SOME RECENT US MILITARY TRAVELERS WITHOUT PASSPORTS HAVE EXPERIENCED DIFFICULTIES. IT WOULD PROBABLY BE PRUDENT FOR ALL MILITARY TRAVELERS

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TO TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO TO CARRY PASSPORTS UNTIL AND UNLESS WE

CAN OBTAIN CLEARER ASSURANCES FROM THE GOTT RE MILITARY TRAVEL.
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